

Robert E. Gleason, CPPO, VCO

Virginia Department of General Services Director, Central Procurement Unit

Robert Gleason, CPPO, VCO, was named director of the division in 2013 after serving seven years as Procurement Director for the Department of General Services. A Certified Public Purchasing Officer and Virginia Contracting Officer, Gleason has more than 20 years of procurement experience in the public and private sectors.

Gleason served as the Contracts Manager for the Virginia Information Technologies Agency from 1999 to 2006 and was responsible for strategic sourcing and managing numerous complex contracts for enterprise IT systems, hardware, software, services and telecommunications. Before working with VITA, he worked in DPS as a Procurement Review Manager, and before joining the state in 1996, he was a procurement manager in the private sector for seven years.

Gleason served in the U.S. Army Field Artillery from 1977 to 1988. He graduated from the Virginia Military Institute, and completed graduate course work overseas with the University of Southern California in Info Systems Management.